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Sir:

I, ANNE E. MARCHESANI, hereby declare and state that:

I am presently employed by the firm of Applicants' representative in the aboveidentified Patent Application, Klauber and Jackson, where I have been employed since
April 1, 1995 and particularly presently act as the docketing clerk responsible for receiving
and docketing all incoming actions, notices and related papers with respect to patent
applications being prosecuted by Klauber and Jackson. I have acted as the sole and
responsible docketing clerk for the firm since 1995.

- 2. As the firm's docketing clerk, I was responsible for receiving and docketing all incoming actions, notices and related papers with respect to patent applications being prosecuted by Klauber and Jackson, including those with respect to the above referenced Application, during the period of February 12, 1999. I understand that the U.S. Patent Office has asserted that a final action was mailed by the PTO on September 28, 1998 with respect to the instant Application U.S.S.N. 08/599,974.
- 3. I do not recall receiving and my records, including the firm's computer docket, do not indicate that any Action or Notice was received by our firm on or about February 12, 1999. Our records, as evidenced by the docket report attached as Exhibit A, indicate that an amendment was filed on July 7, 1998 in response to an Office Action mailed Ianuary 7, 1998. In addition, on November 20, 2000 an Information Disclosure Statement was filed with respect to the instant Application. Since July 1998, no correspondence, Action or Notice has been received and/or docketed by myself with respect to the instant Application. This is further evidenced by the recording of Office Actions on the face of the firm's file for U.S.S.N. 08/599,974 (attached as Exhibit B). The face of the firm's file similarly indicates that no Action or Notice has been received or entered in the file subsequent to the filing of Applicants' amendment of July 7, 1998.
 - I hereby submit the above facts and evidence regarding the Notices and Actions received and docketed with respect to the instant Application. These facts demonstrate that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no Notice or Action has been received by Klauber and Jackson, Applicants' representative with respect to the instant Application, since mailing of Applicants' amendment on July 7, 1998. In particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief, no Office Action dated on or about February 12, 1999 was received by Klauber and Jackson with respect to U.S.S.N. 08/599,974.
 - I hereby further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that the statements are made with the knowledge that wilful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under §10001 of Title 18 cf

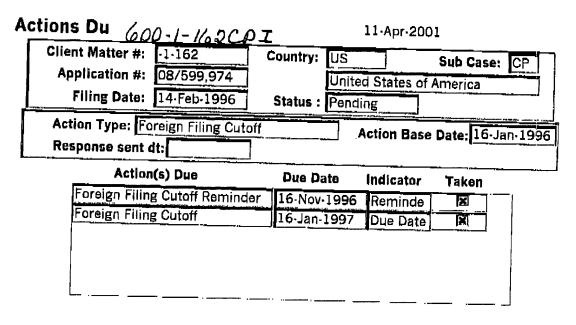
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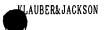
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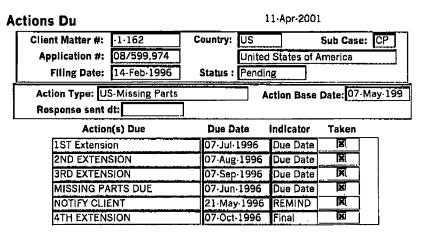
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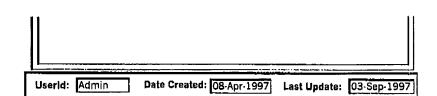


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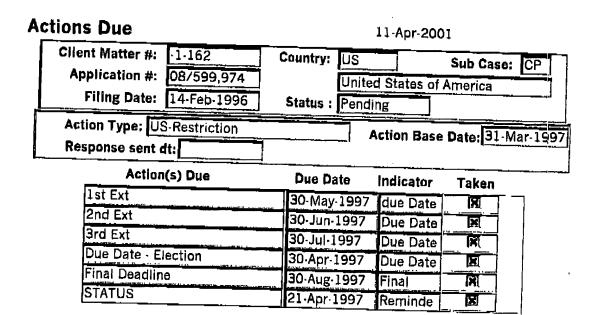
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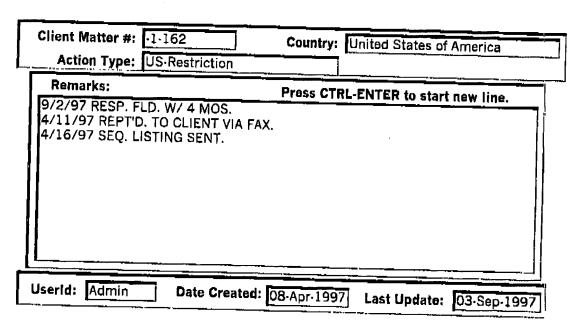
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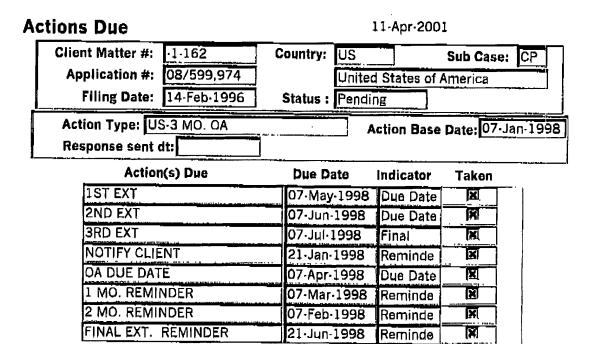
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